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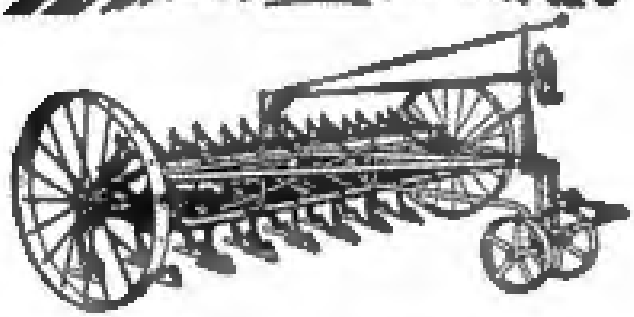

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EDITORIAL

THE FIGHT FOR THE RECONSTITUTION OF THE CANADA GRAIN COMMISSION

Every reader of *The U.F.A.* who is interested in the fight now being carried on for the reconstitution of the Board of Grain Commissioners and the more satisfactory administration of the Canada Grain Act, will find it worth while to obtain copies of "Hansard" for March 19th, 20th and 21st, which are almost entirely devoted to these matters. Copies may be obtained from the Editor of Debates, House of Commons, Ottawa, price five cents per copy.

As the problems of Western grain growers have been very prominently before the House of Commons in the debates since the beginning of the present session, and are likely to be further discussed after the Easter recess, we would, however, again suggest, that farmers who are concerned in the solution of these problems should, if possible, subscribe for the full sessional reports, which can be obtained for $3 from the Editor of Debates. A brief article, dealing with some features of the debate of March 19th, 20th and 21st will be found on page 7 of this issue.

There seem to be good grounds for the hope that as the result of the persistent struggle carried on by the U.F.A. members from Alberta and by the farmer members of the independent Progressive group associated with them, the Government may go a long way to meet the Western farmers' demands, and that before the next grain crop moves most if not all of the personnel of the present Grain Commission will no longer be members of that body, but that a new and enlarged board, constituted more closely in accordance with the wishes and needs of the producers, will have been set up.

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HOW IT IS DONE

The Winnipeg Power Company, whose contributions to party campaign funds have recently been under investigation, sought to influence legislation by ways that were dark.

The procedure, reports the *Winnipeg Tribune* in a summary of the evidence of A. W. McLimont, former president of the company, was as follows: "From time to time sums of money would be taken from advertising, operating and various other accounts on the company's books, and placed in cash, where it would be available to the president alone. As occasion demanded the president would secure this money, or part of it, without voucher or any record, and give it out in cash, without receipt. No records would appear in any of the company's accounts to show the size of this fund or the disposition made of it. The treasurer or comptroller might know from time to time how much to charge against the advertising, operating or other accounts. But by this time, as Mr. McLimont naively states, such transactions in 1927 'had been allowed to pass out of the minds of the officials'."

In this confession the *Tribune* finds "strong presumptive evidence that the company was in politics on a large scale."

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The Manitoba revelations resemble at some points the revelations last year before the Federal Trade Commission at Washington, which investigated the methods of the United States power trust. The lesson for Albertans, who have the choice between public ownership of electrical power utilities and ownership by private corporations, is fairly obvious.

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ELECTRICAL POWER—A PREDICTION

"Within ten years the electrical power systems of Alberta, British Columbia and Saskatchewan will be inter-connected and the principal centres will be served with a dependable supply of power from hydro and steam sources," is the prediction of the superintendent of a British Columbia power company. The Alberta link, at least, should be freed from power trust domination. The only way to insure such freedom is to develop the utility as a public owned and operated undertaking.

* * *

The use of electricity on the farm is as yet in its infancy. But it is extending rapidly in many places, particularly Ontario. Whether the farms of Alberta shall in due course reap the advantages of electrical power will depend upon the foresight of those who are in a position to make decisions. Foresight is at least as necessary on the part of public authorities as of those in charge of private enterprises.

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Donald Cameron, Jr., who was first President of the Junior U.F.A., and served in that office with much ability for four years, has been elected president of the Students' Council of the University of Alberta for the current year. Mr. Cameron is to be congratulated upon the honor conferred upon

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NEWS OF THE ORGANIZATION

Activities of U.F.A. Locals and District Associations and Information from Central Office—Notes on Co-operation

VIMY ORGANIZED

Vimy U.F.A. Local was reorganized recently with 17 paid-up members. T. St. Arnaud was elected president and J. G. Dussault secretary.

CHAMPLAIN ORGANIZED

Albert Didier, who was in charge of the organization meeting of Champlain U.F.A. Local, in the Foisy district, was elected its first secretary. P. A. Coutu is the president.

WEST PADDLE ORGANIZED

H. Critchlow, U.F.A. Director for Peace River organized West Paddle Local recently, near Greenecourt. G. F. Jones and Reinder Stad were elected as president and secretary.

AT GALARNEAUVILLE

Following a visit by Mrs. Bunner and J. K. Sutherland, U.F.W.A. and U.F.A. Directors, Galarneauville U.F.A. Local was organized, with Fred Galarneau as president and Mrs. Gladys V. Galarneau as secretary.

COMMITTEE ON POWER

In the list of standing committees of the U.F.A. Central Board, recently published, the name of Harvey Hanson was omitted from the Committee on Electric Power. Members of that committee are as follows: H. B. MacLeod, Mrs. Wyness, H. Critchlow, H. Hanson.

DIRECTORS PAY VISIT

Rutton U.F.A. Local enjoyed a visit from the U.F.W.A. and U.F.A. Directors, Mrs. Bunner and J. K. Sutherland recently, reports E. A. Flanagan, secretary, although unfortunately the prevalence of colds in the district cut down the attendance. D. A. Wood was elected president at the annual meeting.

ROAD FAREWELL PARTY

Willow Spring U.F.A. Local recently held a farewell party for their former secretary, A. E. Owen and Mrs. Owen, who are leaving the district. Addresses were given by A. Rafn, Geo. A. Wilkinson, W. R. Rigney and H. C. McKenzie, while W. F. Waters made a presentation to Mr. Owen. Mr. McKenzie is the new secretary.

VALLEY SPRING JOINT MEETING

Valley Spring U.F.A. and Valley U.F.W.A. Locals held their meetings at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Pendleton, on March 14th, says a report from J. H. Waite, secretary. At the conclusion of the meetings, an enjoyable time was spent in singing which was followed by lunch. At the U.F.W.A. dance held on March 15th, the autograph quilt made by the ladies was drawn for and won by Mr. Kelly, Jr.

BAPTISTE LAKE ANNUAL MEETING

Owing to severe weather and sickness in the district, the annual meeting of Baptiste Lake U.F.A. Local was not held until February 15th, reports Mrs. Bauserman, when Frank Stafford was elected president and Mrs. Clark Reid secretary. A benefit dance is being held by this Local for a member who met with a very severe accident recently; another dance will be held later to raise funds for membership fees.

NAMAKA WEST PARTY

"A whist party, given by the Namaka U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. was held Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Pinkerton. The weather and roads were good, and a large crowd turned out. The electric lights in the house and verandah, made quite a showing in the dark. The room and tables were prettily decorated in St. Patrick colors. The Local cleared eleven dollars."—*Strathmore Standard.*

A REAL DRIVE

"As a result of our drive, which was so ably headed by J. O. Royer and F. D. Williamson as captains," writes Mrs. M. Horne, secretary of Gem U.F.A. Local, "one hundred and one new members paid up, in addition to our twenty-one old standbys. We have now 28 Junior and 31 women members. To celebrate our success the losing side in the drive is to treat all members to a supper and entertainment on March 22nd."

DIRECTOR AT STANGER

"Stanger U.F.A. Local held a very enjoyable social evening on February 26th, on the occasion of a visit by H. Critchlow, of the Central Board, who is visiting Locals in the vicinity," says a letter from M. S. Gray, secretary. "Mr. Critchlow gave a very interesting and instructive address on the work of the U.F.A., which was much appreciated. We are pleased to report the addition of several new members as a result of this meeting."

CONSORT GIVES DINNER

About one hundred persons enjoyed the dinner given by the Consort U.F.A. Local recently, says a report received from W. A. Isaac, secretary, following which G. E. DeLong, of the Lacombe Experimental Farm, addressed the gathering and answered a number of questions dealing with various agricultural problems. Following this, the regular U.F.A. meeting was held, with Mr. Jackson in the chair. Arthur Robinson gave a report on the Annual Convention, and also on the rural credits convention, which were both listened to with close attention.

HEALTHY INTEREST

"Am pleased to report a healthy interest in the Local," reports Fred J. Muller, secretary of Homer U.F.A. "Our meetings are well attended, and a keen interest is taken. An amateur play was put on, on March 15th, and received the united support of the whole community. The play itself was a roaring success. The question of buying co-operatively low grade fuel is getting serious attention. The forming of a Beef Ring is under way. We have brought in coal and fence posts co-operatively and everybody in the Local is satisfied, and new members are enrolling without any solicitations."

ELECT U.F.W.A. DIRECTOR

Mrs. H. C. McDaniel, of Whitla, was elected U.F.W.A. Director of Medicine Hat constituency, at a meeting held on March 20th in Medicine Hat to discuss organization work and to elect a successor to Mrs. W. Baker, who is now living in Edmonton. Mrs. Baker was elected Director pro tem at the recent Annual Convention and was present at the meeting, giving a talk on the sessions of the Legislature she had witnessed from the Visitors' Gallery. Keen regret was expressed that Mrs. Baker was leaving the constituency, after having served as Director since January, 1925.

BURLINGTON ANNUAL MEETING

Burlington U.F.A. Local held their annual meeting on March 15th, when M. Kertzwig, C. E. Hallihan and Tom Cargill were elected officers, and arranged a program for the year. Consideration is being given to the purchase of a carload of posts; and arrangements have been made for U.F.A. Sunday, when the Junior Local will help with the program. "The Wheat Pool meeting advertised for March 7th, brought forth a goodly crowd, who were greatly disappointed at the non-arrival of the speaker, Mr. Jensen," adds the secretary. "Nevertheless, the meeting was called to order by C. E. Hallihan, and the evening was spent in dancing, whist, a program of recitations, singing Wheat Pool songs and signing requisition forms at hand in the U.F.A. Local."

ENTERTAIN STAINSLEIGH

"Mr. and Mrs. George Murray entertained the Stainsleigh U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. at their home on Friday night, March 2nd. There were about fifty present including members and visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pickard and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Pickel were appointed to represent the Local at the meeting regarding re-organization to be held in the Elks Auditorium, March 16th. After the meeting adjourned a birthday party was held for the U.F.A., this year being the organization's twenty-first birthday. A cake with twenty-one lighted candles was placed on the table and a bank beside it in which each person dropped the equivalent of their years in cents. A bountiful lunch served at midnight, brought the evening to a close."—*Provost News.*

TO ENLARGE PREMISES

Several plans for the purchase or erection of larger premises were considered at the recent annual meeting of the Manville Co-operative Association, according to a report in the *Manville News*. The board were instructed to make enquiries as to the cost of alteration of a building offered for purchase, and also for the construction of a new building. The report of the secretary, Harry Thomas, showed that the turnover was in the neighborhood of $100,000, with a surplus of $6,211 and the building entirely paid for. A dividend of 6 per cent on shares and 2 per cent on cash purchases was declared. Messrs. Hanning, Emmott, Christiansen and Scott were elected to fill the vacancies on the board. R. B. Manning presided.

AT CLARESHOLM U.F.A.

Mr. Basham, K.C., gave an interesting address at a recent meeting of Claresholm U.F.A. Local, according to the *Claresholm Local Press*. He explained the succession tax, urged the desirability of every person making a will, advised farmers to keep a record of work done, livestock purchased, agreements made, etc., and also touched upon educational problems. Mr. Robinson, an instructor in the Agricultural School, stressed the point that in selecting seed wheat, care should be taken that the variety is suitable to the soil, climate, and country in which it is to be grown. He also urged the use of pure seed, described glume blotch, a disease that has done some damage in the district, and dealt with varieties suitable for the Claresholm district. Mr. Salmon presided.

PROPOSE OIL CO-OPERATIVE

"It will be interesting to the farmers of the surrounding district who are users of large quantities of oil for farm operations, to know that a well attended (though poorly advertised) meeting was held in the Board of Trade rooms on Thursday, 14th inst., for the purpose of considering the advisability of organizing a co-operative association with the idea of buying oil and probably some other articles such as twine in large amounts and delivering them to the members at cost. A. P. Mean, manager of the Alberta Co-operative Wholesale Association, Edmonton, and Mr. Benning, of the Mannville Co-operative Store, were present and went thoroughly into the question of co-operative buying. A mass meeting to further the organization of a co-operative association will be held in the Elks Hall on Saturday, March 23rd, at two o'clock."—*Vegreville Observer*.

TARIFF COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS

Verbatim reports of the proceedings of the Advisory Board on the Tariff may be secured from the King's Printer, Ottawa, at the prices given below:

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BANQUET FOR MEMBERS

"A banquet was given by the Willow Creek U.F.A. on Friday evening, March 15th, to welcome the new members who were procured by a systematic drive for membership. The occasion was also for the presentation of the Canadian Bank of Commerce Cup for the contestant who got the most points in live stock exhibits at last fall's school fair. Toasts were proposed and responded to by the following: The King: F. J. Petersen; Premier Brownlee: R. Hardman, T. R. Evans; Our Visitors: J. H. Davison, M. Coutts; The U.F.A.: Mrs. C. E. Hooker, J. N. Boorman; The Trail Rangers: Master James O'Neil, Master Fred Evans; Our Returned Men: J. H. Davison, Bob Lyall; The Ladies: S. N. Gander, Mrs. C. A. O'Neil; The Fools: Dave Francis, J. R. Davison. Songs were sung by Master Gene O'Neil, Miss Lila Nowlin, T. R. Evans. Mr. and Miss Coutts put on a dialogue."—*Claresholm Local Press*.

MUTUAL MAKES BIG GAINS

A gain of almost $18,000,000 in volume of business was reported at the 33rd annual meeting of the Wawanesa Mutual Insurance Company, held in February. The total insurance in force is now over $152,000,000. The cash assets were increased by almost $200,000, bringing the total to $2,577,792.45. The annual levy for 1929 was made at the rate of 20 per cent of the note, and resulted in assessments amounting to $436,352.65 being received. Cash premiums amounting to $170,432.34 were received. Policies written on the cash plan now amount to 22½ per cent of the total business. Losses of a little more than $320,000 were paid. These losses occurred in two clearly defined periods, stated a report given at the meeting, the first during May and due to carelessly started fires in the time of the spring clean-up, and the second during harvest, due to poorly guarded stubble fires, particularly following the use of the combine. The president, S. H. Henderson, was one of the original directors and has attended each of the 33 annual meetings.

Plans for the Forthcoming University Week for Farm Young People

To U.F.A., U.F.W.A. and Junior Locals:

Preparations are being made by the Department of the Extension of the University of Alberta for the Eleventh Annual Conference for Farm Young People. The dates for the Conference this year are from June 5th to 12th, inclusive. The program begins on the 5th and it is therefore necessary that delegates should arrive the previous day. Any farm young person, either girl or boy, between the ages of sixteen and twenty-five, may attend. The program and cost of attendance for the week are outlined in the enclosed pamphlet.

It is our earnest desire to make it possible for every farm boy or girl who is interested to take advantage of this valuable experience and we are sure the organization as a whole will lend its support. With the co-operation of our Locals we hope to be able to defray the railway fares of every one of our delegates. Surely we can engage in no more worthy activity than that of furnishing our young people with an experience which cannot fail to give them a new vision of life and service. Any boy or girl who wishes to attend at their own expense may do so, but will not have any voting privileges at the business session unless the Conference decides to grant this privilege.

Following is the plan adopted by the Central Executive to assist our boys and girls to attend the Conference.

1. Every Local is requested to contribute at least $5 to the Junior Conference Fund, whether sending a delegate or not.

2. Every Local sending delegates will be required to contribute not less than $5 per delegate.

3. If the Junior Conference Fund is sufficient, the railway fares of all delegates will be paid out of the fund. If the fund is insufficient to pay the total railway fare, the amount subscribed will be pro-rated among all the delegates.

We feel sure those Locals who have no young people within the age limit (16-25) will be glad of the opportunity to share in this investment in the future of rural Alberta. This is one of the most vital and far-reaching projects our organization undertakes.

Send in to Central Office, Loughead Building, Calgary, all contributions and names of all young people who wish to attend the Conference. On receipt of your contribution we will forward you credential certificate, which must be filled in and given by the delegate to the registrar on arrival at the University. These certificates will entitle the delegate to rebate on railway fare. At the same time, write to the University of Alberta, Edmonton, giving them the names of your delegates on the form provided on the enclosed folder, or on a separate sheet of paper, giving the information required. It will be noted that the University requests a $1 registration fee which will later be deducted from the Board.

We confidently anticipate an early contribution from you, accompanied by the names of your delegates. We would also ask that the names of delegates be registered at the University as early as possible. The University does not feel justified in holding the Conference unless at least 75 delegates make application. Therefore it is important that delegates' names should be sent in early, as delay interferes with the completion of plans for the week and might result in its cancellation.

Yours fraternally,

Junior Committee on Junior Work:

H. E. G. H. SCHOLEFIELD

Mrs. P. C. HEPBURN

Mrs. A. E. WARR

BANQUET, CONCERT AND DANCE

A full-course dinner was served to upwards of 150 persons, at the Picture Butte U.F.W.A. and U.F.A. banquet, concert and dance, says a report from Mrs. E. M. Shaw, secretary of the U.F.W.A. Local. "The U.F.A. president, J. M. Gibbons, made an urgent appeal for an increase in membership, outlining the many advantages which the organization offered. The toast list was as follows: The King, proposed by the president; The U.F.A., proposed by J. N. Pollock and responded to by W. F. Russell, of the Lethbridge Northern staff; The U.F.W.A., proposed by Ben Talbot and responded to by Mrs. E. P. Kane; The Ladies, proposed by J. Hughes and responded to by Miss Connor. All the toasts and responses were in very able hands, and many enlivening and interest-

ing witticisms and quips were handled back and forth. Mrs. R. M. Parker, of Lethbridge, gave a series of readings in the lighter vein, and kept the jolly crowd in spasms of laughter. 'Mama' Tom Rust and 'Mama' W. Allen gave a colored sketch harking back to war days, which was greatly enjoyed. D. B. Elton, K.C., of Lethbridge, spoke for a short time on the benefits and advantages of organization. Following a violin solo by W. Allen, the tables were quickly removed and 'On with the dance' was the order of the day."

BOOTS OF REORGANIZING

"H. Critchlow, of Barrhead, Director of U.F.A. for Peace River South, visited this district on March 4th and gave a very good address on organization work and explained the proposed new School Act; we have great hopes of reorganizing the Local here on account of his visit," states A. Williams, of Rimbey, a member at large, in a recent letter.

WIDE AWAKE AT CEREAL

"Resolved that the farmers should own and control their own financial institutions and all transactions be for cash," was the subject of a debate held recently by Cereal U.F.A. Local, when the affirmative speakers won. "The farmers here are a mighty wide awake bunch and they are U.F.A. 100 per cent," states George A. McDonald, Secretary. This Local handled 10 cars of coal and 2 cars of lumber last year.

LOVERNA WHEAT POOL LOCAL

The Loverna Wheat Pool Local held their annual meeting on Saturday, March the 9th. Officers were elected to make a joint Local. President, Lorne Low; secretary, Lewis Fern. Committee—Alberta: Walter N. Vivian, R. J. Bramwell, Gordon Parker; Saskatchewan: Joe Arthurs, C. V. Trowbridge, William Hewitt. Business matters, relating in particular to local shipping, were discussed. W. Shaw, delegate for this district, spoke at some length on interesting topics, relating to the Pool.

L. FORCE, Secretary.

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Another means by which readers can assist both the paper and themselves, is by using the Classified Section of *The U.F.A.* for small advertisements. Through this section they can mutually help one another to effect necessary exchange of livestock, seed grain, poultry, etc. and at the same time lend support to their own paper.

At the end of 1928 savings deposits in the banks of Canada amounted to $1,520,000,000, an increase of $75,800,000 in the twelve months.

A CONCERT AT COLLINGWOOD

By RUTH DICKINSON

"Let's have a concert."

The suggestion, coming as it did from a stay-at-home member, a radio enthusiast for years, staggered the Collingwood Local at a recent meeting. Members looked at one another in amazement, and the dauntless few, who had organized dances and paid for the major part of the recently acquired piano, greeted the remark with the silence it deserved. Talking was easy—it was work that counted at parties and dances—grinding hard work that the stay-at-homes knew nothing about——

At last some one managed to say, perhaps not without sarcasm, "A Concert!"

"Why not?" calmly answered the first speaker. "A dance doesn't appeal to some of us. But a concert and a play—"

That started it all. Surprise gave way to discussion. Discussion led to enthusiasm. Enthusiasm engendered action and the recent Collingwood concert was the result.

Shortly after eight p.m. on the night arranged, the school house was comfortably filled with prairie folk, but toward nine o'clock there was only standing room left and old, young, middle-aged, babies in arms and toddling tots squeezed into the school desks or crowded closer together on the benches that lined the walls to make room for the continual stream of newcomers.

"See what a crowd!" whispered one of the performers as she peeped through the curtains that hid the stage. "I feel wabbly at the knees already."

"And what about supper?" said the practical matron behind her. "Look at the rows and rows of kids. The sandwiches and cakes won't go round."

"Why worry?" said the chairman, mopping his moist brow for the third time. "Twenty to nine. Ready!"

It was a command. Everyone vanished—some to the improvised "green room", others to line the nearest wall as spectators and the concert opened quietly with "O Canada", but the audience warmed up as Mr. J. McCaw, a recently imported Scot, appeared in kilts and impersonated Harry Lauder. As he finished singing one and all yelled their enthusiasm until he gave repeated encores.

After that the going was easy. Recitations and songs followed one after another and were well received. "Blaydon Races," "A Farmer's Boy," and "The Keys of Heaven," illustrate the simplicity of the material used throughout that made the concert such a success.

At no time was there any pretense of great talent. The musical fraternity, who had sung these songs time and again in each other's homes, were now including the community in the fun. That was all. And it was evidently enough.

But there was more to follow. Mr. Duncan Peters proudly announced a one-act comedy entitled "A Mother's Influence." (Mrs. Peters acted the maid in it.) The curtains were pulled back again and for forty-five minutes the audience, except for occasional ripples of laughter, was intensely silent as the little comedy of modern life unfolded before them. The plot was simple. Middle-aged parents, by no means twin souls, each engrossed in his or her own interests, are blessed with an ultra-modern daughter and a spineless over-pampered son. When the play opens the young folk, both involved in callow love affairs, are headstrong and impatient of parental control, but toward the end they see the error of their ways and all ends well with the exultation of the tiresome, out-of-date, stodgy mother.

A play with good characterization, and Miss Gladys Humber made a vivacious flapper whose insolence was even charming. Right royally she scolded her kid brother, who was well interpreted by Emerson Bigelow Jr. But the finest acting came when the father, a tired business man, bald-headed and fat, reclining in a chair, his feet stretched out on another, a cigar in his mouth, a newspaper held as a rampart in front of him (played by Mr. Humber) and his complaining wife, who hadn't a thought beyond a vacuum cleaner and her mending basket (realistically portrayed by Mrs. Emerson Bigelow) talked at each other to no purpose.

Then, one spectator at least, forgot the meagre stage, the faded turkey-red chintz curtains, the gas lantern shaded with a cookie pan, and for a minute or two glimpsed real life.

Toward the end of the program H. H. Dickinson did conjuring tricks and some folk are still wondering how the bird cage found its way to the back of Mr. Hunter's coat, and where the white silk handkerchiefs disappeared to.

A supper amid happy laughter and much talk, then a dance till three a.m. with H. H. Dickinson at the violin, ably accompanied by Mrs. Hunter, brought a delightfully informal gathering to a close.

LACOMBE CONVENTION JUNE 6th

The Annual Convention of the Lacombe Provincial Constituency Association will be held in Lacombe on 6th June next, commencing at 1 p.m.

There will also be a meeting at 8 p.m. open to the public, at which the Hon. Mrs. Parlby and the Hon. J. E. Brownlee will speak.

Will officers of U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Locals in the Lacombe Constituency see that delegates are appointed to attend this Convention?

C. WOLFERSTAN,
Secretary.

British Co-ops to Have Weekly Paper

The English co-operative movement which controls yearly sales valued at $375,000,000 and which has a membership of two and a half millions, has decided to purchase Reynolds Weekly Illustrated News to form a weekly organ for their movement, states the Southam Cable Service. The paper is at present owned by a publishing company controlled by Lord Dalziel and is distinctly favorable to Labor in tone. The intention of the co-operatives, who have now several members in parliament indistinguishable from Laborites, is ultimately to establish a daily paper in support of co-operation in Britain.

Negotiations for purchase are reported

to be almost finished and the price of the newspaper which has a capital of half a million dollars is given as three-quarters of a million dollars. Reynolds has been in the market for some time, but the directors refused a high offer for it because the would-be purchasers were not connected with the Labor movement.

Woes of a Secretary

If a secretary writes a letter, it is too long.
If he sends a postal, it's too short.
If he issues a bulletin, he's a spendthrift.
If he attends a committee meeting, he's butting in.
If he stays away, he's a shirker.
If he offers suggestions, he's a know-it-all.
If he says nothing, he's a dead one.
If the attendance at the meeting is slim, he should have called the members up.
If he does call them up, he's a pest.
If he dues a member for his dues, he is insulting.
If he does not, he is lazy.
If the meeting is a howling success, the program committee is praised;
If it is a failure, the secretary is to blame.
If he asks for advice, he is incompetent;
If he does not, he is bull-headed.

"Ashes to ashes,
Dust to dust.
If others won't do it,
The Secretary must."

HAROLD JACKSON

Minburn, Alta.

GRAIN BOARD IS UNDER FIRE

(*Calgary Herald*, March 28th)

The marketing of Western grain is coming in for a thorough ventilation in the House of Commons this session. While the mixing of wheat at terminal points is the chief bone of contention, the Board of Grain Commissioners is a target for severe criticism, and U.F.A. members are pressing for a radical reorganization of the board.

A typical expression of the prevailing dissatisfaction was voiced by Mr. E. J. Garland, member for Bow River. He declared that as far as the producers are concerned the board has failed to function satisfactorily and has lost their confidence. Lack of direct contact between the grower and the Commissioners is a major grievance. Mr. Garland in pressing for Alberta and Saskatchewan representation on a reorganized board said it was not fair to have a board doing its principal work in Fort William or Winnipeg and never coming into personal touch with the growers.

During the past year, he said, when as never before at almost every point in Western Canada disturbances in connection with the Grain Act had arisen and farmers were protesting against alleged injustices at country elevators from the organized grain trade, and at terminal elevators there was not a single investigation undertaken by the Grain Board until more than 80 per cent. of the grain crop had been moved.

A regular aeroplane service has been established between Edmonton, the capital of Alberta, and Grande Prairie, in the Peace River Country.

While every Province in Canada last year registered an increase in the sheep population, the gain in British Columbia from the standpoint of percentage led all others. The British Columbia increase amounted to over 30 per cent.

Hold Up Budget Debate to Deal With Western Farmers' Grievances

Battle for Protection of Grain Growers' Interests Carried on on Eve of Easter Adjournment by Small, Determined Group of Farmer Representatives—Government Now Shows Disposition to Meet Demands re Grain Commission More Than Half Way

In spite of determined efforts made by the Ottawa Government to postpone discussion of the complaints against the administration of the Grain Act by the present Board of Grain Commissioners until after the vote on the Budget, which would have meant postponement until after Easter recess, a group of U.F.A. and independent Progressive members from other Provinces working in close co-operation, succeeded in bringing the Western farmers' grievances in connection with this matter to the attention of Parliament in a very effective way on March 19th, 20th and 21st. The Hansard record for these days shows that almost two whole sessions of the House and a considerable part of another, were taken up by the debate, and that the case of the Western grain growers, particularly of the members of the Wheat Pools, was ably and forcefully presented. We believe there is now good reason to hope that the demands of the Western farmers will be wholly or largely met, as the Government is reported to be showing a disposition to meet the Farmer representatives more than half way.

Members Seize Opportunity

As a result of the collapse of the debate on the address early in the session, it had appeared for a time that many of the members who were anxious to voice the Western farmers' demands for the dismissal of the present Grain Commission and the setting up of a new Commission of five with direct representation of Alberta and Saskatchewan by commissioners resident in these Provinces, would be deprived of the opportunity on the floor of the House. The Minister of Trade and Commerce, together with the rest of the Liberals and the Liberal Progressives, showed a disposition quietly to divert the discussion on this issue into the Agricultural Committee, where discussion does not arouse nearly so much interest as in the House itself. In order to introduce the subject in Committee, however, it was necessary for the chairman to ask Parliament for permission to widen the Committee's powers, and it was in a debate upon this motion that the Farmer members found their opportunity to bring the matter before the House of Commons in regular session.

The spectacle was then witnessed of a small group, utterly ignoring the practice of the past, breaking up for the time being the budget debate, and sidetracking it, in order that they might engage in a battle for the interests of the producers of grain. Such an occurrence, as far as we are aware, is without precedent in the history of the Canadian Parliament, and is eloquent of the aggressiveness of the group of independent members whom the organized farmers have sent to Ottawa to represent them. It also reveals in a most striking manner the effectiveness of a small, determined group, which is free from party affiliations, and thus free to ignore all other considerations than the legitimate interests of those who have elected them.

The Hansard reports of the debate have come to hand too late for extensive quotation in this issue. The debate concluded with the adoption of an amendment by George Coote, M. P., to a resolution to adopt a report of the Committee on Agriculture. The amendment enlarged the powers of the Committee, to enable it to inquire into the whole administration of the Canada Grain Act. But before this motion was carried, the members, as stated, took advantage of the opportunity to bring the issue in a most effective way to the notice of the House in regular session.

Premier's Seeks Postponement

At the opening of the sitting on March 20th, Premier King asked that the debate upon motion to concur in a report from the Committee on Agriculture be postponed until the budget debate had been concluded. Robert Gardiner, M.P., thereupon expressed the opinion that it would be improper to curb debate on the subject, which he said "as affecting Western Canada, and as I believe, Eastern Canada, also, is one of the most important that will come before the House this session." He added, "I know of no other question that has stirred the farmers and producers in Western Canada to such an extent as has the administration of the Canada Grain Act."

In the course of the debate E. J. Garland, M.P., whose powerful speech at the U.F.A. Convention on the resolution calling for the dismissal of the present Grain Commissioners was one of the notable features of Convention week, made a vigorous attack upon the Commission in the House, dealing with the serious shortcomings of the Commission point by point, and citing many cases of negligence to protect the interests of the producers out of whose pockets the Commission is paid. Mr. Coote and Mr. Lucas spoke on the following day, very effectively dealing with the grounds of complaint against the Commission. We have mentioned chiefly the Alberta members, as their action is of chief concern to Alberta farmers, but the Progressives from other Provinces took a prominent part in the debate.

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him by his fellow students. Under his presidency student affairs will be in capable hands. We have no doubt that the training he received in Junior U.F.A. work will prove of great value in this new position of responsibility.

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With the close of the session of the Legislature the special weekly issues will now be discontinued. As announced two months ago, the policy of *The U.F.A.* has been to concentrate all advertising in the regular issues published at the beginning and middle of each month, on the dates of our regular issues.

Control of Water Power Passes to Prairie Provinces

Legislation Will Give Alberta Control of Great Natural Resources —Responsibility Lies With U.F.A. to See That Benefits of Inheritance Are Retained for People—Features of the Budget.

By ROBERT GARDINER, M.P.
Chairman, U.F.A. Federal Group

It is claimed by members of long experience in the Commons that this is the quietest and most uninteresting session within their memory. Nevertheless something of real value to the Prairie Provinces has been accomplished. A debate, lasting for six days—as acrimonious and heated as I have ever listened to, arose out of a private member's resolution. It was placed on the order paper by Mr. Woodsworth, M.P. (Winnipeg North Center) and is as follows:

"That in the opinion of this House, no disposition of the natural resources, under the control of the Federal Government, shall be effective until ratified by Parliament."

Had the resolution passed without an amendment, it would have meant that no lease for grazing, mining, timber limits, pulpwood or water power would be granted until first ratified by Parliament. Mr. Woodsworth placed the resolution on the order paper because of the granting of a thirty year lease to a private company, permitting them to develop electrical energy at the Seven Sisters Falls, situated on the Winnipeg river. The people of Winnipeg enjoy the privilege of buying electricity at one of the lowest rates on the North American continent because they own and operate a Hydro Electric power plant. The Winnipeg Electric Railway Company have also developed a power plant in connection with their street railway system, and surplus power is sold in competition with the Hydro Electric.

The Manitoba Controversy

A subsidiary of the Winnipeg Electric Railway was formed and it made application for a lease of the power site at Seven Sisters Falls. Those who favor the public ownership and control of public utilities immediately commenced a campaign, having for its purpose the retaining of this site for the future use of the Winnipeg Hydro Electric. So acute was the division of opinion between those who favored public as against those who supported private ownership and operation, that the Federal Government, through the Minister of the Interior (Hon. Chas. Stewart), suggested to the Provincial Government that they accept the responsibility of deciding as to what disposition would be made of this power site. The Manitoba Government finally decided to recommend to the Minister of the Interior that a lease be granted to the private company. The power site is valued at from twenty-eight to forty million dollars; hence the reason for the Woodsworth resolution demanding that Parliament have the final say as to the disposition of natural resources under the control of the Dominion Government.

Early in the debate it was recognized that if every small lease for hay, grazing or permits to cut dry wood, etc., had to be sanctioned by Parliament, the proposal would be unworkable. Mr. Guthrie moved to delete "natural resources" and insert "water powers." After further debate H. H. Stevens, member for "Vancouver Centre" moved a sub-amendment which was finally adopted by the House. The original resolution as amended by Mr. Stevens' sub-amendment was adopted and reads in the amended form as follows:

That in the opinion of this House, no further disposition of the water powers under the control of the Federal Government, in the Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, shall be made under the Dominion Water Powers Act, but the said water powers shall be administered by the respective Provinces, under powers to be granted by this Parliament similar to the powers granted to the Province of British Columbia to administer the water powers in the Railway Belt as set forth in the "Railway Belt Water Act" and being Chapter 211 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1927.

The natural resources in the railway belt in British Columbia are controlled by the Federal Government, but some years ago it was deemed advisable to transfer the administration of water powers within this area to the Province of British Columbia. It is clearly the wish of the Commons that the Prairie Provinces be placed on an equality with British Columbia in so far as the administration of water powers is concerned. We expect legislation to be introduced in the House during this session to implement the expressed wish of Parliament.

Responsibility of U.F.A.

It is important that as a Province we secure administrative control of water powers within our boundaries, but it is *of equal importance that we formulate a policy that will retain for the people all the benefits that can be derived from our inheritance.* The present Provincial Government is in existence because of the decision of the United Farmers of Alberta organization to secure direct farmer representation in the Federal Parliament and also the Provincial Legislature. As an organization we are responsible for every proposal of the present Provincial administration. In a few years it may be expected that there will be an urgent demand from the farmers for electricity for lighting and power purposes. The cost of electricity will be the important factor as to how far the transmission lines can penetrate into the more sparsely settled parts of rural Alberta. The cost may be largely determined by the policies used in administering our water powers. As an organization we are vitally concerned as to the future policy. Permit me to suggest that it is the duty of every U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Local to seriously consider what is likely to be the best policy to follow so as to provide rural Alberta with electricity at a price that is reasonable, taking into consideration the cost of production and distribution.

The Budget

Mr. Robb delivered his Budget speech on March the 1st. In the Speech from the Throne it was stated that Canada was passing through an era of great prosperity unprecedented in our history. Mr. Robb, being of Scotch descent and remembering the criticism against the claim of prosperity as stated in the Speech from the Throne, was more canny and said that there was a "general optimism prevailing throughout Canada."

The Finance Minister gives a statement of the condition of the people's business that is wholly under the control of the Federal Parliament. As the financial year ends on March the 31st, most of the figures are merely estimates, but from past experience we can expect that there will be only slight differences between the estimated and the final figures.

The estimated ordinary and special revenues for the fiscal year are $454,942,000—an increase over the previous year of 25 million. It is estimated that—

Customs will be $185,000,000, an increase of $28,000,000.

Excise Duties $63,400,000, an increase of $6,000,000.

Income Tax $68,500,000, an increase of $1,900,000.

Int. on Investments, $11,600,000, an increase of $600,000.

Revenues from other sources, $16,250,000, an increase of $540,000.

The following taxes show estimated decreases:

Excise, Stamp and Sales Tax, $81,500,000, a decrease of $8,700,000.

Delayed business profits tax, $450,000, a decrease of $500,000.

Post Office, $31,000,000, a decrease of $500,000.

Miscellaneous services, $2,200,000, a decrease of $270,000.

It will be noted that the greatest increase in revenue is from customs duties; a tax levied upon consumption.

Ordinary expenditures for the fiscal year ending March 31st are estimated at $355,200,000, including $2,992,000 to meet the reduction of 20 per cent on Maritime freight, $4,302,000 to meet deficits on the Canadian National Railway eastern lines and $1,600,000 special subsidy to Maritime Provinces. Including ordinary, capital and special expenditures the total will be $385,160,000, an increase of $22,332,000.

Canada's Net Debt

The estimated surplus will therefore be $69,782,000, which will be used for the reduction of the national debt. The net debt at the end of the present fiscal year after using the surplus of revenue for reduction will be $2,227,068,000.

The estimated ordinary revenues for the coming year are $450,000,000—Customs import duties will be $185,000,000 or 41.11 per cent of the total revenue. Special war revenues are expected to be $142,650,000 or 31.70 per cent of the total revenues.

Estimated expenditures for the coming year, $385,160,000; expenditures because of the war are estimated at $162,911,000, or 42.30 per cent of the total expenditures. War taxes fall short by over 10 per cent of meeting war expenditures.

The National railways show a surplus of $7,000,000 after paying all charges including interest charges on bonds held by the public but not interest due the government. The interest due the Government amounts to $22,000,000 and is taken into the books of the company as a liability but not paid.

Canada's favorable trade balance for the first ten months amounts to $154,100,000. Whether this surplus is sufficient to pay our interest indebtedness,

payable outside of Canada, I am unable to say, as we have no authentic information as to our liabilities.

The estimated tax reduction for the year is $25,000,000.

The one per cent tax on insurance premiums and the war tax on railway and steamship tickets, also the three cent tax on telegrams and cables are abolished. The sales tax is reduced by a third and now stands at two per cent. Stocks, shares and bonds, other than Dominion or Provincial, of a par value of one hundred dollars or a fraction thereof, pay a tax of three cents, four cents a share if over one hundred dollars. Shares of stock over twenty dollars, three cents; over three dollars but under twenty, two cents; under three dollars, one cent. The stocks or bonds of the rich have a much lower rate of taxation in proportion than the shares usually bought by the masses.

Slight Customs Reductions

Slight reductions were made in the customs duties on mining machinery and engines and parts used in fishing. The duties on a number of other items were reduced but they are not of much importance.

The Finance Minister in his speech stated that the Liberal party is a low tariff party. The criticism that is levelled against the Liberal party is that while they have had ample opportunity to put their policies into effect by legislation, they have been slow to take advantage of their position. Some substantial reductions have been made in the tariff during their term in office, such as automobiles and farm machinery, but the bulk of the necessaries of life have been left untouched.

Conservatives Propose "Retaliation"

Much of the debate upon the Budget has centered around the possible action that may be taken at the special session of the United States Congress called for April 15th. It is feared by many that Congress may pass legislation increasing customs duties on agricultural products. If this happens it will have the effect of reducing the price received by the Canadian producer and may for a time seriously affect the production of cattle and dairy products. Some of the Conservative members advocate a policy of retaliation. ("Raise the tariff and keep out American goods!" they cry. "Let us have a red blooded policy"). Trade barriers raise prices and also have the effect of lowering purchasing power. Canada and the United States are not comparable. The States is well developed; we are in the process of development; cost of production is one of our most vital problems.

We have suggested that if the United States raise their customs duties that we in Canada, instead of retaliating, increase the British preference, thereby transferring some of the business that now goes to the States to Great Britain.

ALBERTA HE UP AGAINST THIS TOO

Toronto Globe

The private power interests, regardless of the scene of the fight, have the moral, and at times even financial, backing of the giant power rings operating all over the continent. These fully appreciate the worth of electrical franchises and power monopolies. They are prepared to fight vigorously for them. The advocates of public ownership must be prepared to do likewise.

Member of Alberta Cabinet Will Be Given Control Over Hydro Power

Bill Passed by Provincial Assembly Will Place Great Responsibility Upon Province in Administration of Natural Resources

Of the twenty-four bills which received third reading on Wednesday afternoon just prior to prorogation, one of the briefest but one of the most important was Number 84 "An Act Respecting Water Powers." This act was the sequel to the amended resolution of J. F. Woodsworth, Labor member for Centre Winnipeg, which was passed recently by the House of Commons at Ottawa. It is quoted elsewhere.

With the completion of the legislation in the Dominion House implementing the above resolution, the way will be open through the passage of the Alberta Water Powers Act to complete control by this Province of all water powers, with the exception of navigable rivers, the control of which will remain vested in the Dominion. This means the possession on the part of the Province of one of its most important natural resources prior to the settlement of the general question which may be a subject of negotiation for a year or so longer.

A letter of the Hon. Charles Stewart, Minister of the Interior, to Premier Brownlee dated March 11th, draws attention to the words of Premier Mackenzie King in accepting the amendment, giving the quotation from Hansard as follows: "With the understanding that my honorable friend is not asking us to do more than is possible without prejudicing the rights of the Provinces; namely, that before this particular act becomes applicable in the extended way in which it is now requested, before legislation is passed in this Parliament to extend its provisions to the three Western Provinces, and before the three Western Provinces themselves have enacted legislation, which will give them powers of administration, the effect of the suggested legislation shall not become binding on anyone; and that in the interval the water resources of the three Western Provinces will be administered by the Federal Government *in accordance with the wishes of the Provincial Governments.*"

Legislation at Ottawa

Mr. Stewart goes on to say in his letter that he has been instructed by the Federal Government to prepare and introduce at this session legislation similar to that in force in the Railway Belt and the Peace River Block of British Columbia, but adaptable to conditions in the Prairie Provinces. He then formally offers to the Province the administration of its water power resources, which, he says, would become effective when he was advised that the Province was prepared to undertake the responsibility. He concludes his letter by stating that as minister in charge he would continue to consult Premier Brownlee before issuing water power leases.

The Alberta Bill

Under the Alberta Act it is provided that a member of the Executive council who may be appointed, shall have power to administer and manage all the water and water power and the right to control and regulate distribution of the same. It also provides that all regulations prescribed by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council shall be laid upon the table of the Legislative Assembly next ensuing and shall if then disallowed cease to have any validity.

There was little discussion of the bill as it passed through committee after the explanation of the Premier. Mr. Brownlee, in response to a request for assurance on the part of Fred White, Labor leader, that there would be no further lease granted, said that there was no prospect of applications for such lease and that these matters would be properly safeguarded.

N.F.F.

Government "Control" or Government Operation?

(Alberta Farmer)

Discussing the electric power situation in Alberta, A. A. McGillivray, leader of the Conservative opposition in the Legislature, declared his opposition to the principle of public ownership. "No matter what Government was in power, it was to be anticipated there would be political interference, political favoritism and tendency toward functioning at a loss in places and under conditions where it would be of political advantage to do so" he said. And, he added, "every advantage to be gained by Government operation could be attained by strict Government control." Let me suggest that *whatever danger there might be of political interference under Government operation, it could never be so damaging as is the constant and persistent private interest influence and lobbying under alleged strict Government control. As for political interference under Government operation it has been shown by Ontario Hydro-Electric management that this is something that can be overcome and done away with.* Since Ontario secured its Hydro-electric system, Liberal, Conservative and Farmer Governments have been in power and at no time under any of these Governments has there been any charge of political interference with the Hydro-electric. So far as the so-called Government control of privately owned and operated utilities is concerned, it is common history to most of us that frequently *the doubt arises as to whether the private interests do not control the Government instead of the Government the private interests.*

IRRIGATION CROPS VALUABLE

The total value of agricultural production on the Lethbridge Northern Irrigation Project in 1928 is placed at $1,545,253. While the value of livestock and dairy produce on hand and sold during the year increased from $687,248 in 1927 to $1,175,366 in 1928, the value of field crop production shows a considerable decrease as the result of severe hail damage which occurred during the season.

News from Alberta Wheat Pool Head Office

Information for Members and Locals Issued by the Publicity Department of the Alberta Wheat Pool

Piracy in the Wheat Pool?

A critic of the Alberta Wheat Pool in the course of a sweeping condemnation of the way in which the organization is being run, claimed that vicious precedents have been introduced by the Pool delegates and directors, members' rights have been subverted, their reserves confiscated, and the foundations upon which the law of the land is based have been undermined by "vile and dishonest actions" on the part of those in whose hands lie the destinies of the Wheat Pool.

To read the full page criticism it could be readily imagined that a gang of pirates are in control of the Alberta Wheat Pool and all that is now required to complete the dreadful picture is for the Jolly Roger with its skull and crossbones to be run up the flagstaff.

There's a Reason

Readers of the speech referred to will consider what the Wheat Pool sought to attain in the special bill, it will be readily seen that there was a sound foundation for each of the various clauses. Take the matter of mixing, for instance. The head critic of the Pool bill apparently wanted to deny the Pool the right to mix any wheat delivered to it. Last crop year there were over 325 grades of wheat delivered to the Pool. Without the right to mix, each grade would have to be binned separately, shipped separately in railway cars and on vessels to its destination overseas. In fact, complete prohibition of mixing would hinder the Wheat Pool in its operations. Pool opponents know this but, like Shylock, their spokesman is adamant. "It is not named in the bond," he says.

Some of the powers and privileges asked for are contrary to the sacred tradition of British law, we are informed. The difficulty as far as the Pool is concerned lies in the fact that producers' co-operatives were not considered when the laws of the land were drawn up and amended from time to time. These producer co-operatives are of recent origin and require new legislation for their protection and development.

Confiscated Reserves

The insinuation that the Pool has confiscated the reserve monies contributed by members is hardly worthy of repudiation. A total of $3,402,962.00 has been contributed by Pool members for reserves, $2,653,434.87 being for elevator reserves and $1,749,527.13 for commercial reserve. The elevator reserve is for the purpose its name indicates —building or buying elevators. The Alberta Wheat Pool has now around 320 elevators in the Province which are absolutely free of debt. The new Vancouver terminal has not been completely paid for as yet, but it will be in the course of a few years.

The commercial reserve is used as liquid capital, to conduct Pool business. Business cannot be transacted without capital and this commercial reserve supplies the funds for carrying on Pool activities, including financing of the initial payment for Pool elevators, taking care of the overhead expense throughout the year, etc. If the members did not provide this money it would have to be borrowed from the banks. As it is now, the members supply the funds and receive the interest that would otherwise be paid to the banks. Each member who contributes to these reserves receives a credit on the books of the Wheat Pool for the amount so contributed. Each year a statement showing balance of credit is sent to each contributor and once a year interest is paid at the rate of 6 per cent per annum. There is no idea of confiscation. The contributors own the elevator system—no one else has a nickle's worth of interest in it. The contributors own the assets covered by the commercial reserve, and they alone own them.

Reserve Payment

The question naturally arises when and how will the money collected for reserves be paid back to the contributors? In this connection it might be mentioned that the funds are not in liquid form—they are in elevators, etc. Furthermore, the elevator policy will have to be expanded for some years yet to come. It is not possible to have both elevators and cash. However, a plan has been suggested to provide for a return of deductions. It has not been worked out in definite detail as yet, but the principle is this: the taking of deductions for both commercial and elevator reserves will be continued. When the necessity for the use of these funds for elevators or for capital purposes is no longer required, the money will be used to refund deductions taken in earlier years. For instance, if it is decided to introduce this plan three years hence, the deductions of that year will be used to repay the deductions taken in 1924. Then the 1925 deductions will repay the deductions taken in 1925, and so on. This system assures that the control of the Pool will remain in the hands of actual producers and not lie with people who may have quit farming. Then, too, the contributors of earlier years who have furnished the money to build facilities will have their money returned to them. Otherwise they would be placed in an unfair position as compared to those who come later when the facilities had been bought and paid for.

There is no mystery or secrecy about the reserves. It is true that they are not handled on the basis of the usual commercial organizations, where dividends are of paramount importance, but that was never the intention. Certainly there has been no "confiscation" as has been so blatantly stated by the enemies of the Wheat Pool.

Cereal Chemistry in New Zealand

M. E. WEST '26

Alberta wheat producers will be interested in read the following article which deals with wheat production in New Zealand. It was written by M. E. West, a young graduate of Manitoba Agricultural College. Mr. West gives a lucid account of the wheat growing industry in that country.

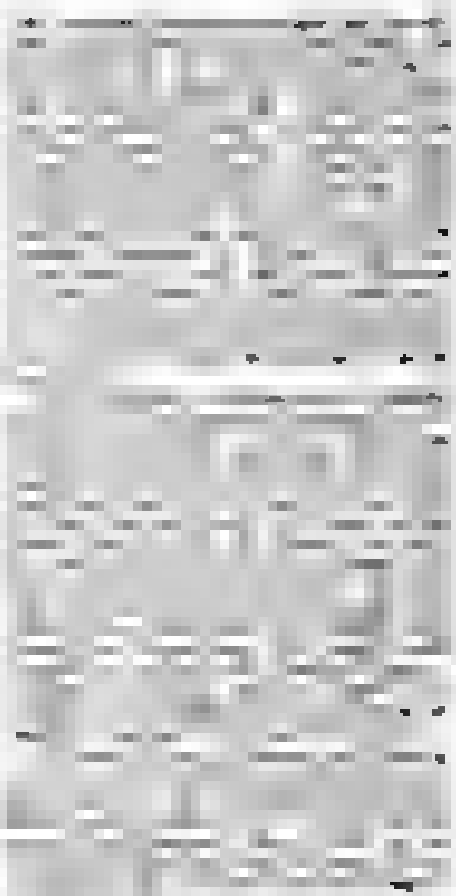
To step up from a subordinate position to that of the highest post in cereal chemistry in New Zealand has been my happy lot. The mere fact that from the many applicants a graduate of the Manitoba Agricultural College was chosen reflects well upon the status of Chemistry and Field Husbandry. It sound more like a pipe-dream or a story after a midnight feed. But, what would you say if I told you that I have the morning paper and tea before rising; that I am busily engaged turning the rough edges of my "r's", softening the "g's" and broadening the "a's"; and that I am actually groaning under the weight of the very best of hospitality? However, these are details as my duties are to organize and supervise a research laboratory in cereal chemistry.

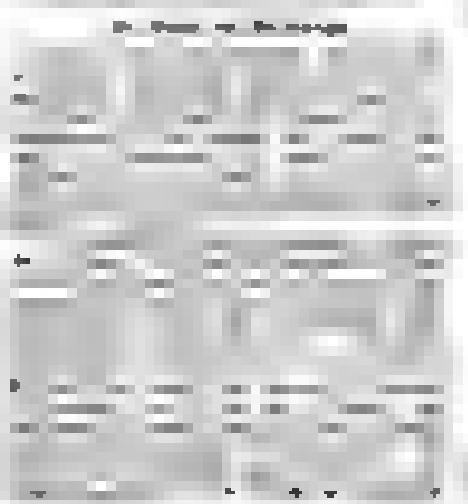
New Zealand, compared with Canada, produces very little wheat. The estimated yield for the coming harvest, which is now in the early milk stage, is in the neighborhood of nine millions. This is a mere drop in contrast to your 500 millions. But while the total is low the yield per acre is the third highest in the world, being surpassed only be that of Belgium and Great Britain. The average for the last six years is 31 bushels, and the 1927-28 crop averaged 36 bushels.

Unfortunately, the quality from the view-point of the finished loaf is much inferior to Canadian standards. Largely due to this, though also to supplement the crop in lean years, about 15 million bushels of wheat or its equivalent in flour is imported per annum from Australia and Canada. The causes of inferiority are due to environmental and varietal differences. There are four main groups of wheat grown—Velvet, Pearl, Hunter's and Tuscan. Tuscan, while the poorest in baking quality, constitutes over 80 per cent of the crop, because it gives the largest yield, as high as 70 bushels per acre, and because it is a non-shattering wheat. This latter factor is highly important, as the Canterbury Plains upon which practically all the wheat is produced, are swept by strong winds during the season of harvest. Thus an easily shattering wheat is useless.

No Grading System

There is no grading system in New Zealand. The wheat is bought on "fair average quality" and shipped in 200 pound bags. The recently formed Wheat Pool intends to put the market in a more orderly state and to work out a suitable grading system. Since there is no grading on a quality basis there is little difference in prices paid for the various wheat groups. The difference, at best, is not sufficient to induce the farmers to grow any quantities of the higher quality wheats in preference to





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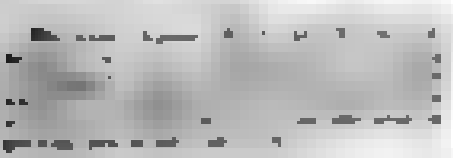

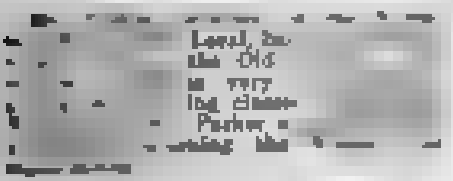

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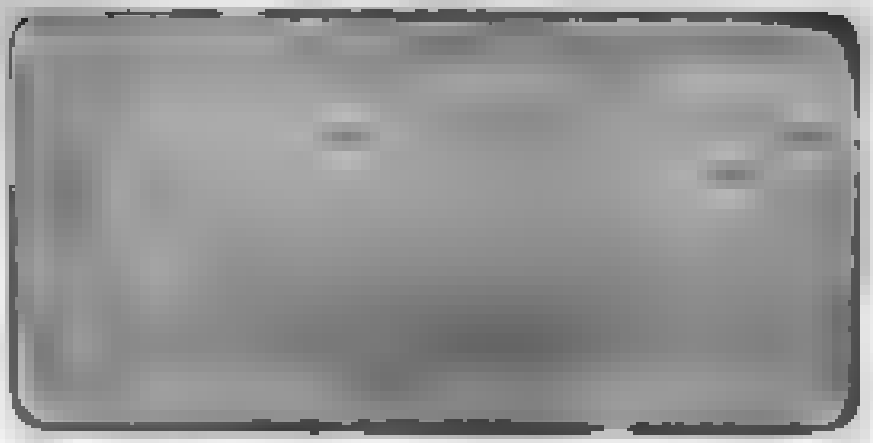
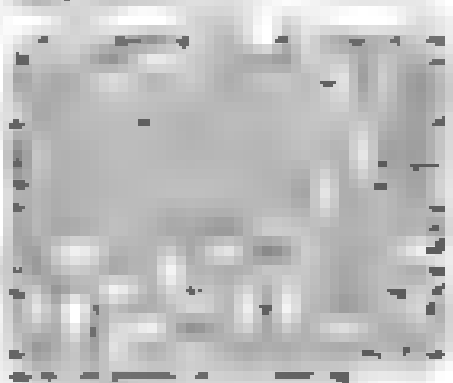
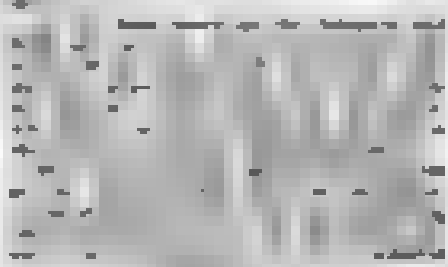
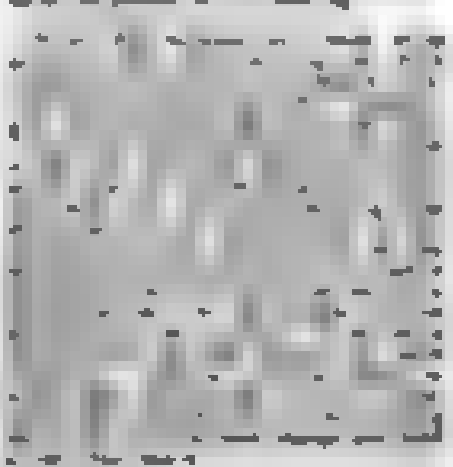
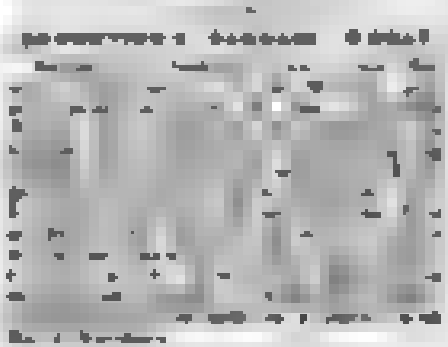










Co-operation

Max Ehrlich

If all the kids sparky of men
Were modelled upon Nature's plan!

"Look," said the Great Master Builder,
"Here is a pattern for you to
Peeps in each others new playthings
As the bees do
I take a bride as queen bee a
Flower on her wing,
Adding a male and a brain to control,
And I have man

You with the Fishermen, I see it,
And he who trades is your mate
Here are the ants in the earth at,
Ask what they do for the state
The ploughed by Farmer
And Carpenter have planned their Home
Which gradually grew to a wide spreading
tree
This Empire of ours

But let's take heed from the legend
And we can learn to be wise
Having to straighten the crooked
making the weak strong
Man must work as a
Must work for
Up in the sky gives the skies to the sun,
And we've builded a ship

Not on the sea to the glory
Not to the sea but to dream
To the reef and the waves to be free to
Free to people the world to change
Not in fear trouble to be told,
And the reason must be the
Always we are the united we grow
As we co-operate

ELIMINATION OF SPREADS

Suggestions for the elimination of spreads in seed potatoes by the Seed Potato Committee at Winnipeg were given by E. B. Reames of the Wheat Pool, who asked for their co-operation. J. T. Ross in reply said he was interested in the suggestion to grade seed potatoes on the basis of four grades instead of three as at present. He also left the impression suggestion would be given consideration by the Board of Directors of the Manitoba Pool with a view to the possibility of the new grade being put into effect next season.

Pool Delegates at Ottawa

Sask. E. Fisher Wheat Pool Director for North Battleford district, has returned from Ottawa where he was one of a delegation of three who represented the Co-operative Movement when they met the Prime Minister and Cabinet Ministers in charge of Agriculture. The Wheat Pool was represented by Mr. Fisher and J. H. Parrott of the Manitoba Pool were the other members of the committee.

The committee asked for increased efficiency in the administration of the Canada Grain Act, the appointment of three extra commissioners, a change in the method of appointment of the chief commissioner, the appointment of two more grain inspectors, the establishment of a new grade of No. 1 Northern, and a change in the method of appointing the terminal agents. The committee asked for restriction of cleaning in terminal elevators, also that steps be taken to prevent dockage being taken on grain in the Montreal transfer houses.

An interesting statement was that the Government hoped Section 16 of the Canada Grain Act, 1912, would be the means of preventing discrimination against growers in cases where cars should be spotted and removed promptly. Another suggestion was with regard to the grade where. The idea was to have grades of No. 1 Northern established for "feed" wheat grade. A No. 1 Northern would be made all wheat with a maximum content of one pound. No. 2 Northern would be the same except it would contain 2 pounds. No. 3 Northern would contain 3 pounds.

Mr. Wood at Airdrie

On the afternoon of Friday the 25th of March a Wheat Pool meeting was held at Airdrie. The meeting was addressed by W. Wood, a member of the Alberta Wheat Pool. Mr. Wood's talk was an interesting one and he urged Pool members to keep up the good work. The meeting of the Wheat Pool at which all wheat will be sold must be done more to assist in keeping the market steady. He reminded each Pool member of the fact that the Wheat Pool has been the best friend the grain growers of this country ever had and a special plea was made to the young people to give their support to the Pool. There was also a short address by Mr. Wood, Manager of the Alberta Wheat Pool. Miss Fairbairn, Pool member, and Jack Hogg, delegate to U.F.A. annual convention.

Vocal solos were contributed by Miss Hart, Miss Watson, and Mr. Hogg. All the members of the Wheat Pool would like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Hart for her kindness.

New Pool Locals

The following new Wheat Pool Locals have recently been formed:

Dixon: Mr. F. ..., secretary, and Chas. Hicks of Kingman, chairman.

Makepeace: R. H. Harris, secretary, and Thos. Mellon, chairman.

Blumberg Valley: J. L. Stanley of ... secretary, and E. F. Bateman of Meadowridge, chairman.

Chauvin: Victor Martineau, secretary and N. Lambert, chairman.

Tofield: James H. Hunter, secretary and Wm. M. Miller, chairman.

Beaupre: Paul Bailey, secretary, and Peter Krenus, chairman.

Rosemary: ... Hall, secretary and F. ... Chairman.

Edgar: ... Hall, secretary, and ... Chairman.

New Wheat Pool locals have been organized at Rosemary and Edgar, Alta., and the following appointments as officers were made locally:

Rosemary: R. L. Jackson of Tilley, chairman; John ... Hall, secretary.

Edgar: A. E. ... Hall, Edgar, chairman; A. Earl ... Edgar.

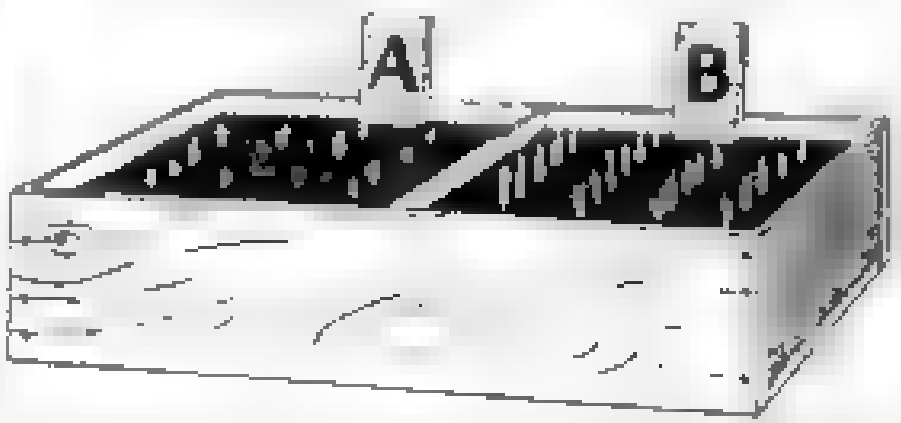
Wainwright Wheat Pool Local has been ... and ... new ... Secretary Manager.

The following Wheat Pool locals have been organized:

Medford: John Palmer, Medford, Manager; J. H. Avery, Treasurer.

Clearing Wheat and coal has recently appointed new officers, the secretary

TESTING SEED FOR GERMINATION



Open spots Pool members are urged to test their seed before starting this year. The above illustration gives a good idea of how seed can be tested for germination. Where possible use the flannel of the sack as suggested in test. Place 50 kernels in a box filled with sand the sand being damped the ordinary depth of seed. Keep moist and test warm weather in field soil room. After about ten days count the number of vigorous plants growing and make allowance for poor seed in box. Seed for germination less should be placed in box separately and grown. If the germination is less than 85 per cent it would worth while to secure new seed.

All seed should be treated. For wheat, Copper sulphate dust 2 to 3 ounces to a bushel does the seed. For Mercury dust seed treater operated. Formaldehyde solution 1 pint to 4 gallons of water is recommended used. Moisten the grain by sprinkling, spread thoroughly heap on a pile and cover with blankets. After six hours remove the blankets, and spread out to dry. Sow as soon after drying as possible.

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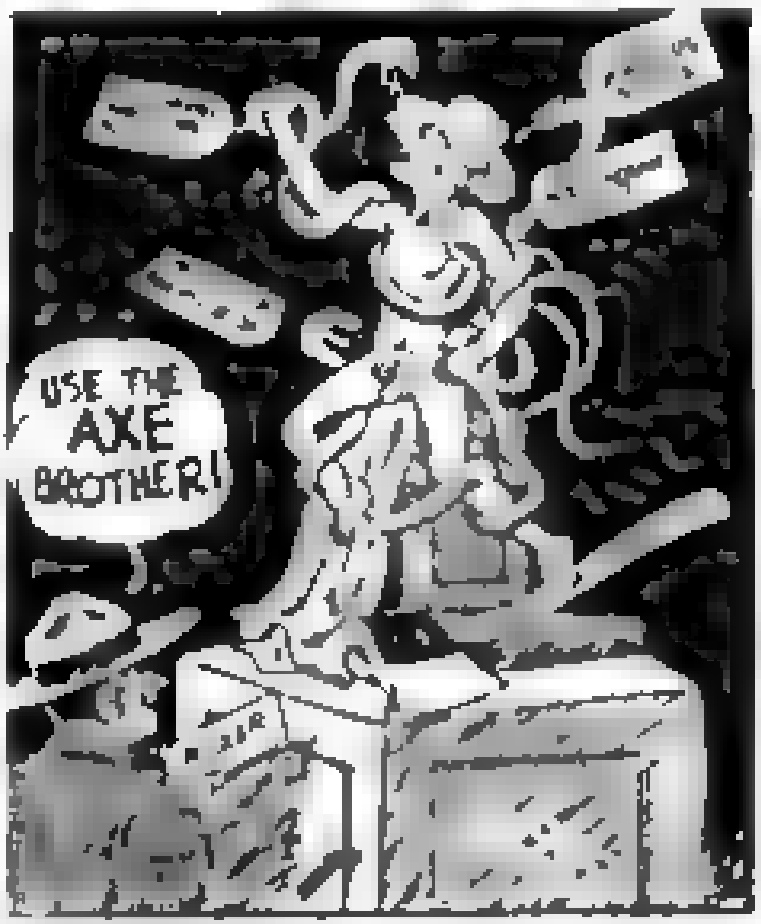

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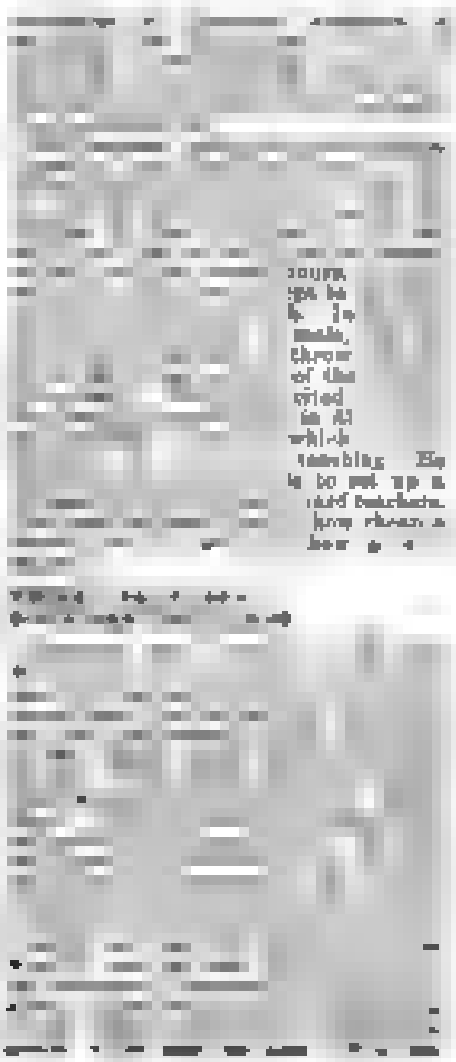

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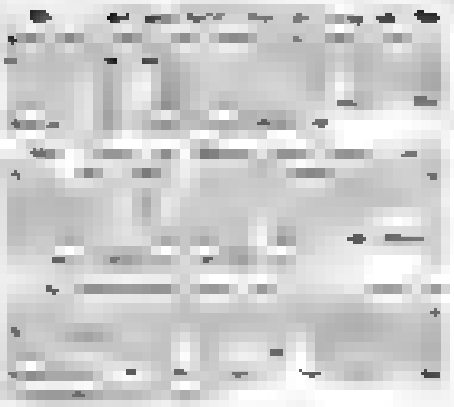
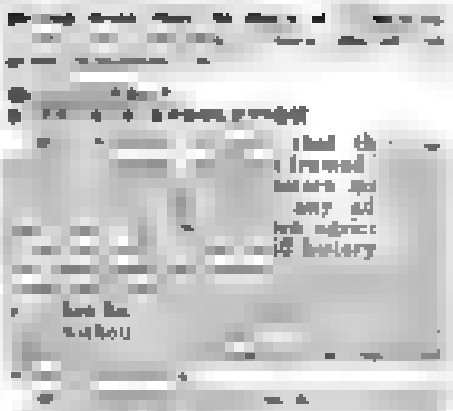
Assembly Presents Solid Front in Support of Effort to Obtain Better Terms for Transfer of Resources

Motion re Minimum





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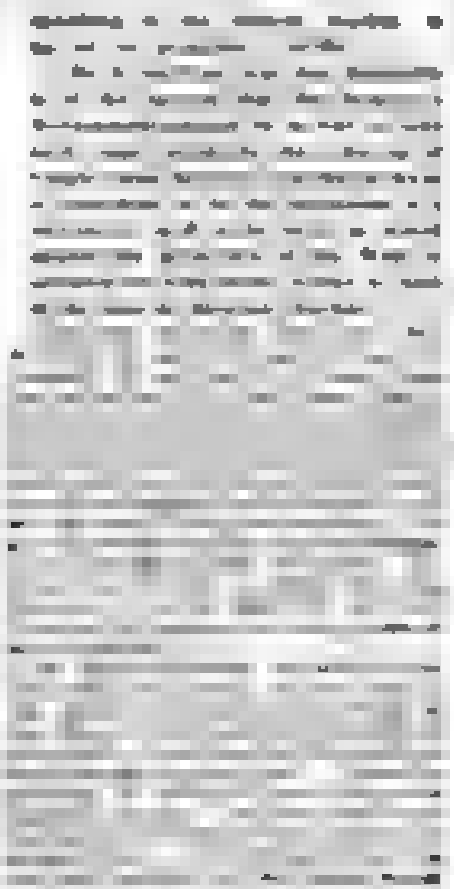

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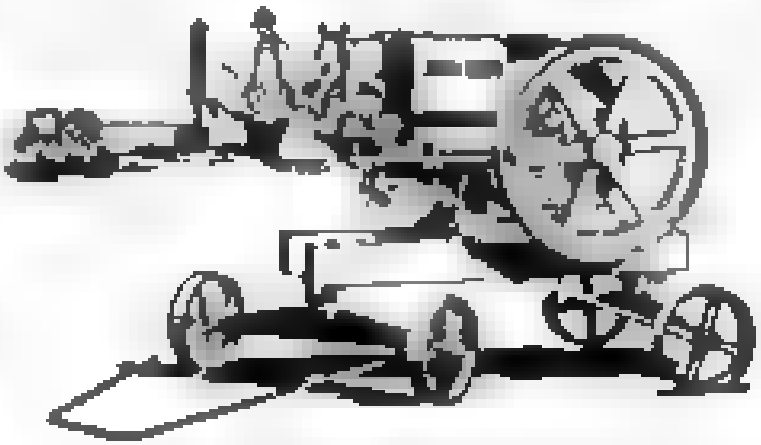

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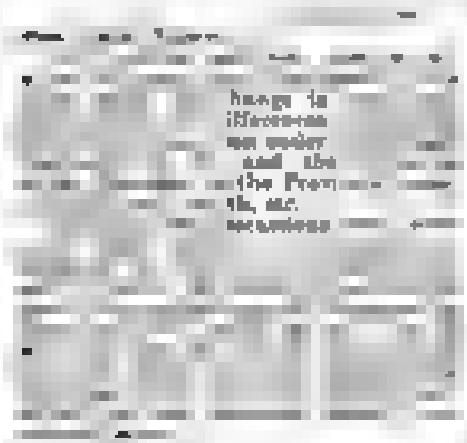

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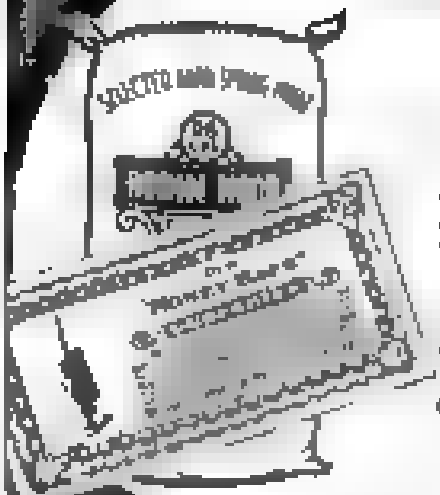

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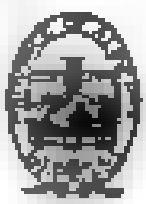

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I am looking forward to visiting all the locals this summer but feel I must go first to those who did not have the pleasure of visiting last year.

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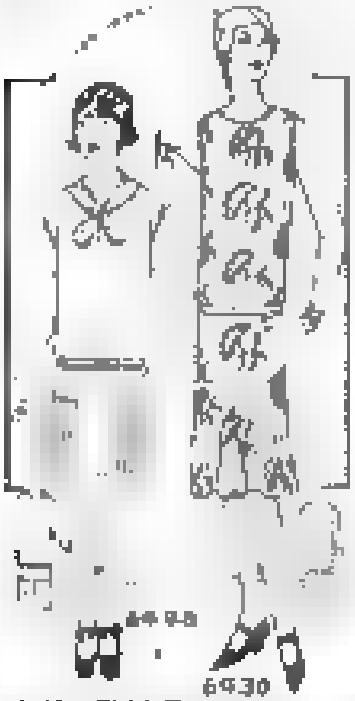

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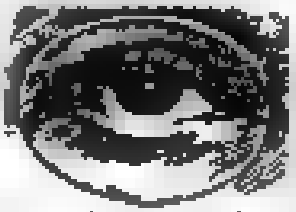

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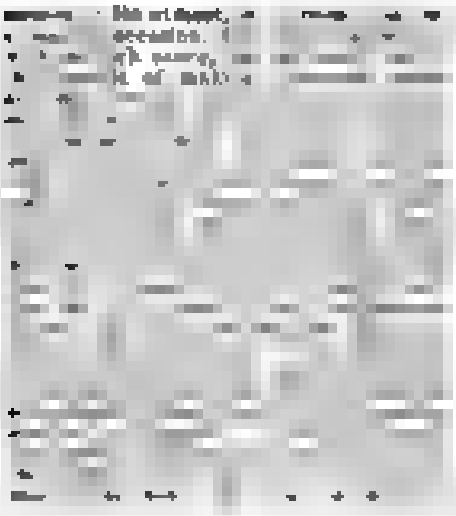

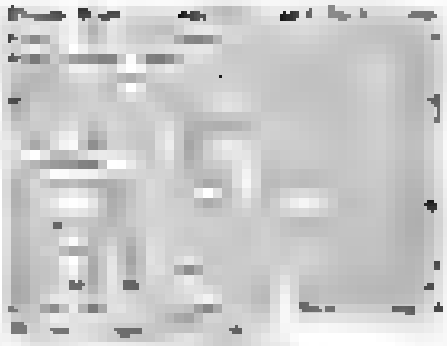

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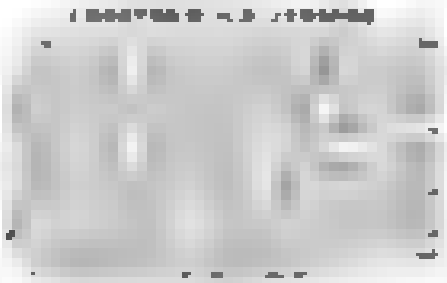

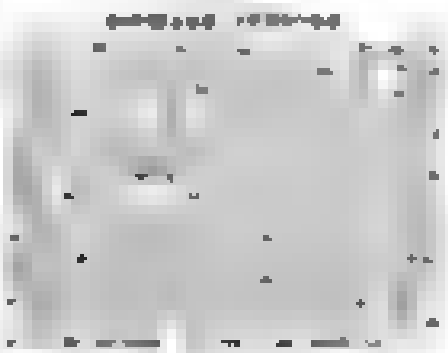

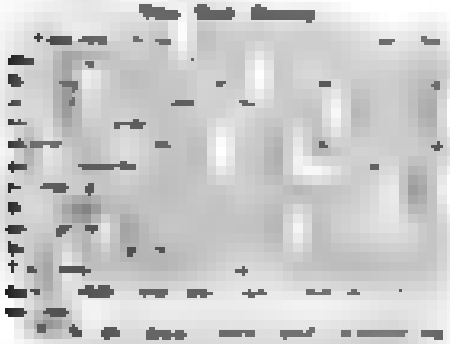

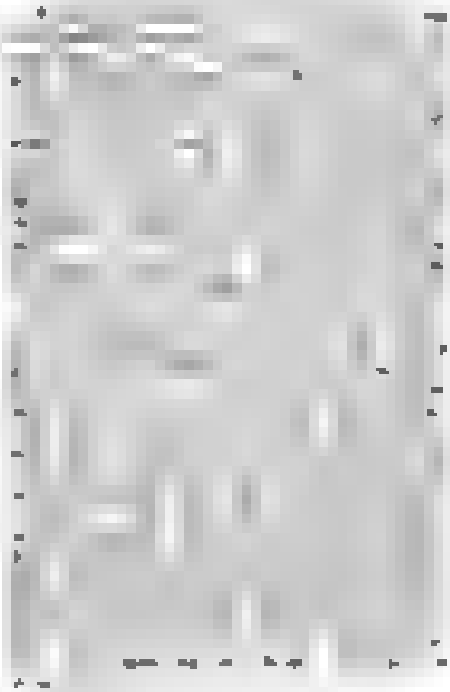

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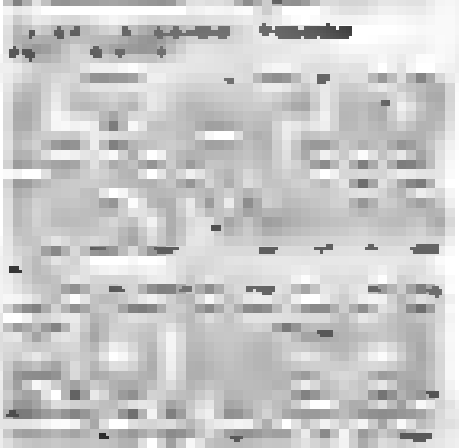

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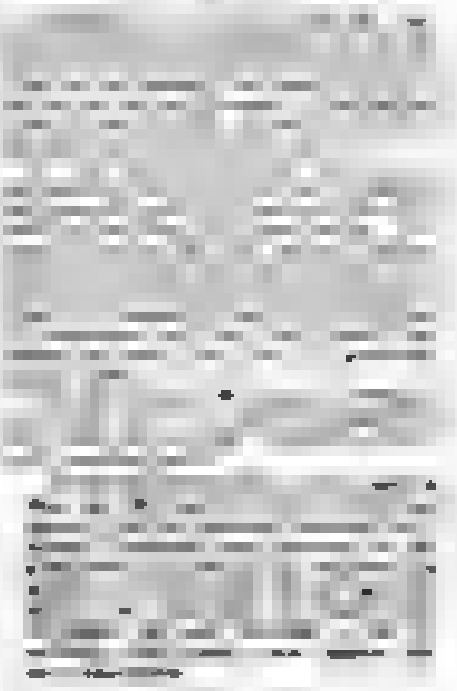

Problems on Birth of Agent

...ature culminated in an open attack on Tuesday evening, March 5th, when the appropriation for salaries of the Public Utilities Branch was being considered in committee of supply. Charles H. Webster moved that the vote of $9,... be struck out in full. This he did stating that he would oppose the hiring of the office in any more by the motion was defeated.

Mr. Webster had been backed by the Liberal leader J. T. Shaw. Both these members complained the value of the returns received for these expenditures. Mr. Webster thought the "pessimism of the new Premier was too rapid."

Premier Brownlee in a vigorous reply charged the Liberal group with being over-silent against the London office and wondered if the attitude were not reflection of dislike on the part of Canada. He was the first to have representatives here at their own at the head of the company. He spoke in some length on the work of Mr. Greenfield, of the Bankers, by gone before by public of Great Britain of the public, raised from his office of the graduate gone to prosperity in settlers, of the money there are to settle in certain interests, and the definite effect on of British capital toward settlement in Alberta. Many of he realize and the Premier, more of its intangible nature and could take time to show. He would say however that interest in Alberta was never greater in England but at present and that the London office was of great value.

REFUSE TO SELL TO U.S. TRUST

ST. JOHN, N.B. Power Trust propaganda to the effect that public ownership sentiment is on the wane in Canada is evidently directed from some of the large power companies of the United States.

Irwin and Co. of New York are representatives here recently. In an effort to gain some hold on ornamental and water power developments at New Brunswick. Premier Baxter stated, but the concern sought an option to purchase the following electric energy in the Province. When this was refused the company offered to purchase the Government hydro-electric development at Musquash. This was also declined.

When the present Government took office one of its first acts was to confer the power development of Grand Falls on the St. John River to the International Power Co. Since then efforts have been made to secure the St. John site, but the Government has so far refused to have contracts, for the very good reason that the people of New Brunswick are overwhelmingly in favor of holding on to the publicly-owned plants.

ELECTRIC POWER AND CAMPAIGN FUNDS

In an editorial discussing the recent revelations in connection with the West Kootenay deal in Manitoba, the Red Deer Advocate says: "Premiers will learn their hands till their endeavors to especially secure any all loan has of the party who are willing to accept funds from power interests, or other interests seeking consideration from government and corporations. The leap of right minded business interests may readjust somewhat the irresponsible power of the managers of capital which are welded and knitted together big open barrier plank in 25 to 100 companies who is assist capital and protect one another because of close joint interests should be replaced by the more democratic system of public ownership and state operation and control."

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ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash, Bonds, etc.	$1,118,731.51	Reserve for Unearned Premiums	$ 146,972.46
Agreements Unpaid.	53,858.74	Losses Unadjusted	9,782.18
Premium Notes Unsecured.	1,503,200.40	Accounts Payable	76.59
		SURPLUS for Policy Holders Protection	2,519,950.22
	$2,677,792.65		$2,677,792.45

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Cash Surplus over Liabilities $1,997,780.22.

Total Assets for Policy Holders' Protection $2,677,792.45—an increase for 1928 of over $191,000.00.

New Business written in 1928—$83,948,178.00.

Total Insurance in force $152,282,809.00—an increase for 1928 of $17,746,246.00.

The Wawanesa Mutual Insurance Company has more fire insurance in force on Western Canada than any other Company operating in the province. The Wawanesa Mutual is the best example of successful co-operation in Western Canada today. It has saved its members nearly 50 per cent of their premiums for 30 years and deserves your active support.

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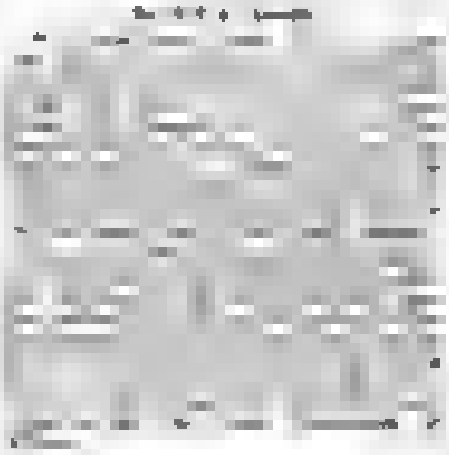
To the Cream Producers of Alberta



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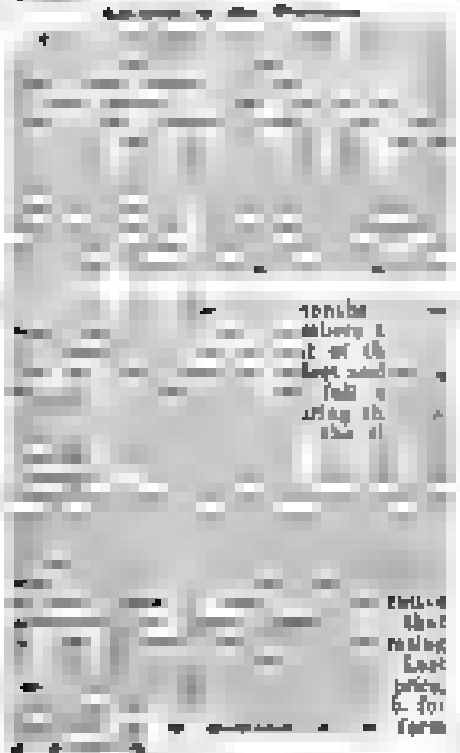

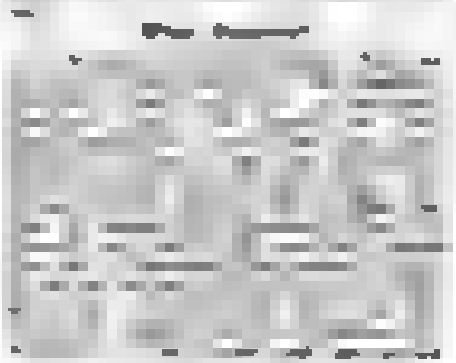

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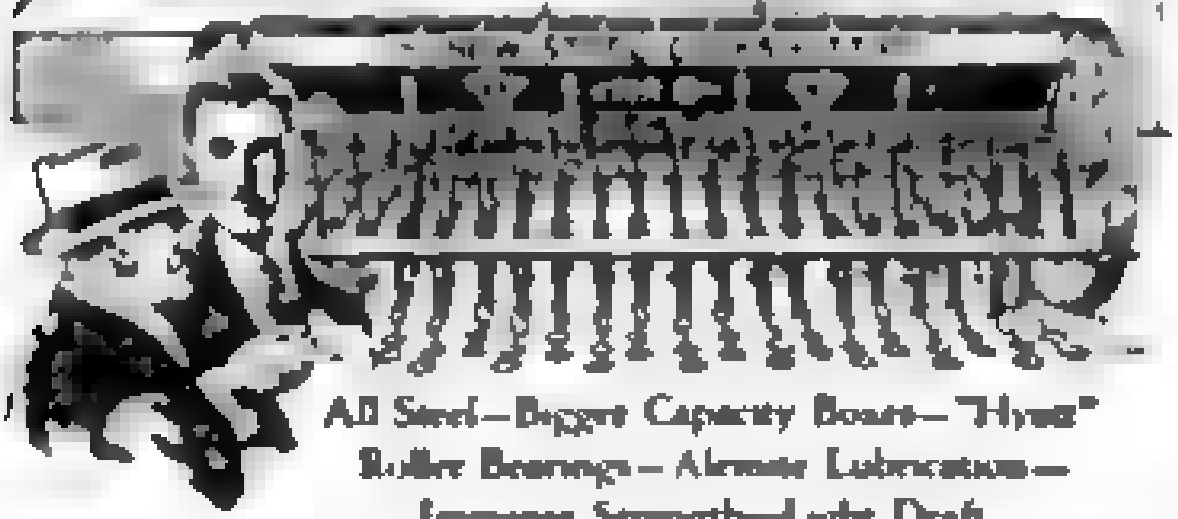

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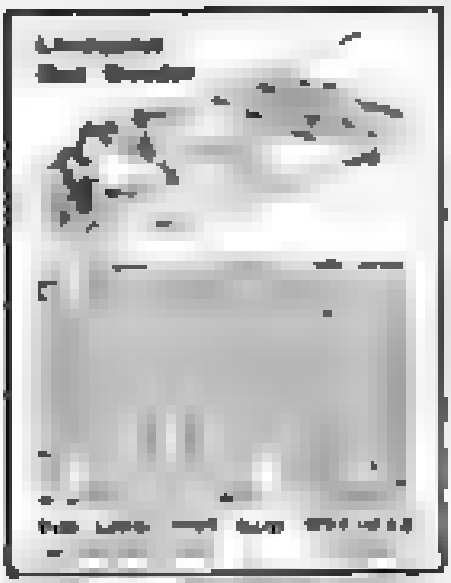

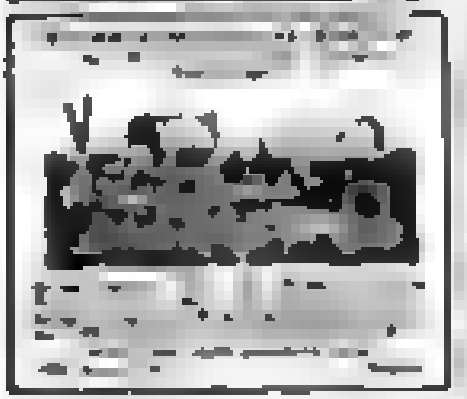

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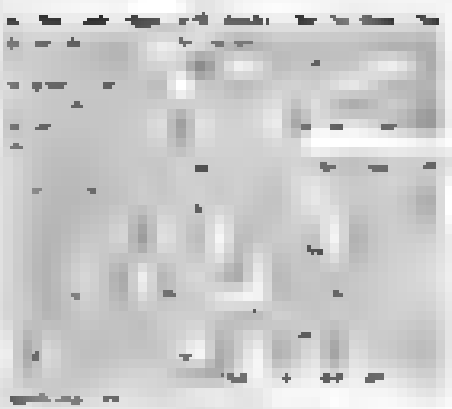

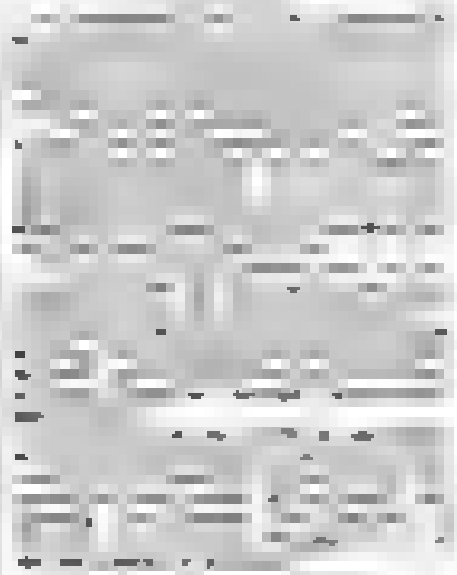

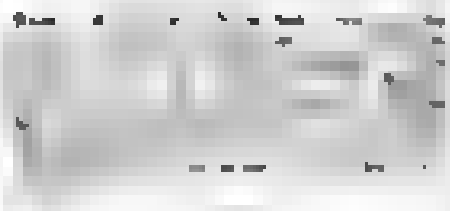

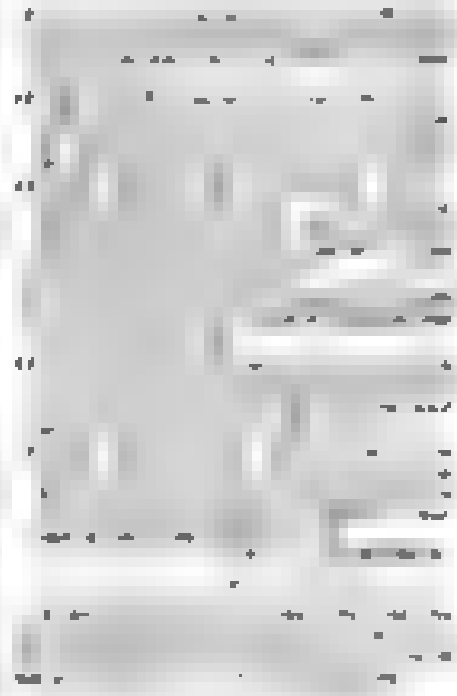

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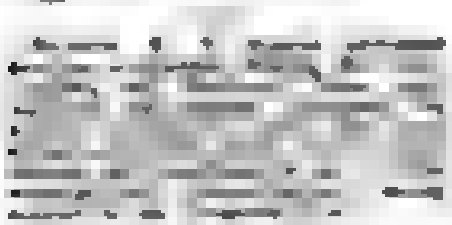
NEWS FROM THE HEAD OFFICE of the ALBERTA LIVESTOCK POOL

Successful Pool Meetings



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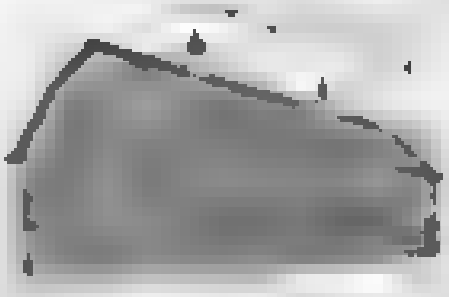

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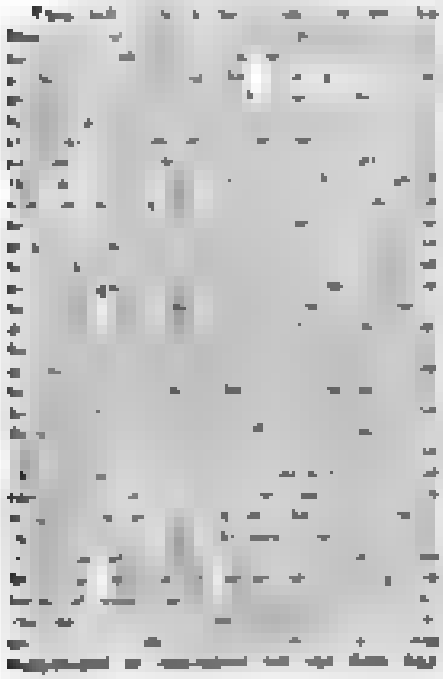

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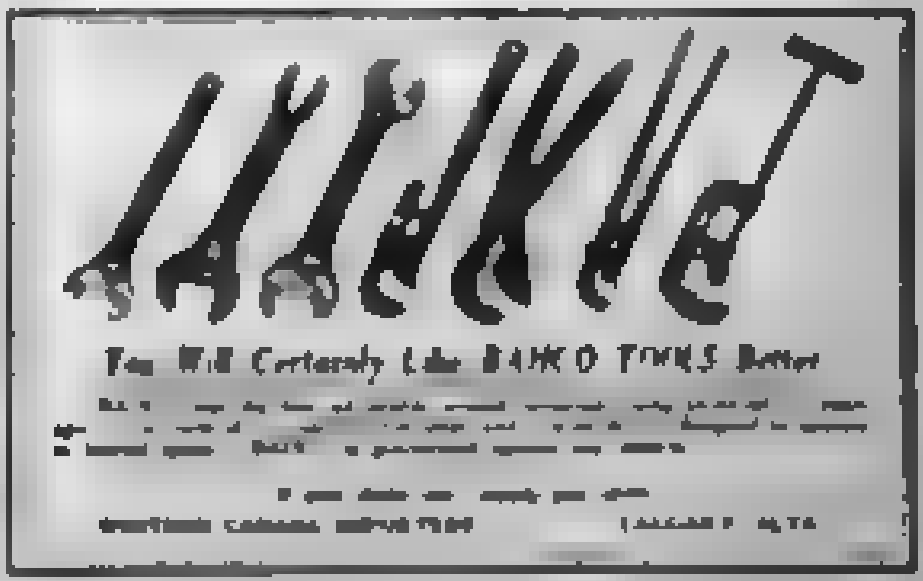
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Editor, *The U.F.A.*:

When we read the proposed changes in our school system by the Minister of Education, we must say it needs improvement, especially in this northern district.

We have had, and we still can find, teachers here supposed to teach English to the pupils who are unable to speak English themselves.

The same thing with the trustees in our local board. In some districts the trustees are unable to speak English, or read or write it.

What satisfaction can we get from a system like that? The taxes may come higher, especially in new districts where homesteaders are just starting in, and it may scare them from the land, but it could be regulated there as we can only say, the sooner we get a change the better.

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1st Prize	$500 Cash	
2nd "	$150	"
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Electrical Protection Act Is Amended

Provides for More Rigid Control and for Inspection

In view of the rapid extension of electric light and power through the Province in recent years, and in view of the possibility of an even greater increase of the same now that the control of water powers is directly in the hands of the Government of Alberta; it is of more than passing interest that in the closing hours of the session of the Alberta Legislature a bill entitled, "An Act to Amend the Electrical Protection Act" was put through Committee of the Whole and given third reading. It provides extensive amendments to the statute of 1923.

The Board set up under that act is empowered to prescribe the design, construction, installation, etc., of all works and matters used in the generation, transmission, delivery, etc., of electrical power or energy. It may also prohibit the use of such works till after inspection and approval. It may prohibit the advertising and sale of electrical devices till they have been inspected and approved, and may prescribe the precautions to be taken and the warnings to be issued to purchasers and users so as to prevent undue hazard to persons or property. It may also set the fees to be paid for those inspections, tests and approval, and is empowered to provide for the remuneration of inspectors, etc.

The act provides that any inspector may at any reasonable hour pass over or through any land, building or premises for the purpose of performing his duties. It also sets forth that nothing in the rules, regulations, plans, specifications or orders shall render any inspector or other employee liable for any injury, loss or damage sustained to person or property by reason of defects in any works or matters notwithstanding any inspection or test or the issue of any certificate, under the act; nor shall it affect the liability of any corporation, company, firm or individual for such injury, loss or damage.

Penalties of not more than fifty and not less than ten dollars for each offence are provided on summary conviction. The act comes into force on the first day of July, 1929.

N.F.P.

WELLAND CANAL FREIGHT TRAFFIC

The freight traffic on the Welland Canal, Canada, during 1928 reached a new high record of 7,420,617 tons.

LIVESTOCK HELD BY INDIANS

Holdings of farm live stock by Indians on reserves in Canada during 1928 were as follows: horses, 36,172; milch cows, 9,194; other cattle, 34,495; sheep, 3,204; swine, 8,704; hens and chickens, 103,918; turkeys, 7,715; geese, 5,196; ducks, 7,788.

FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION

"Though I disagree with every word you say, I will defend with my life your right to say it."—Voltaire.

CADGET FROM EXPOSURE (To Date)

A lady met a Government hospital patient, hobbling on crutches. "Young man," she asked, "what is the trouble, rheumatism?"

"No ma'am," replied the patient, "patriotism."—*Manitoba Advocate*

POULTRY

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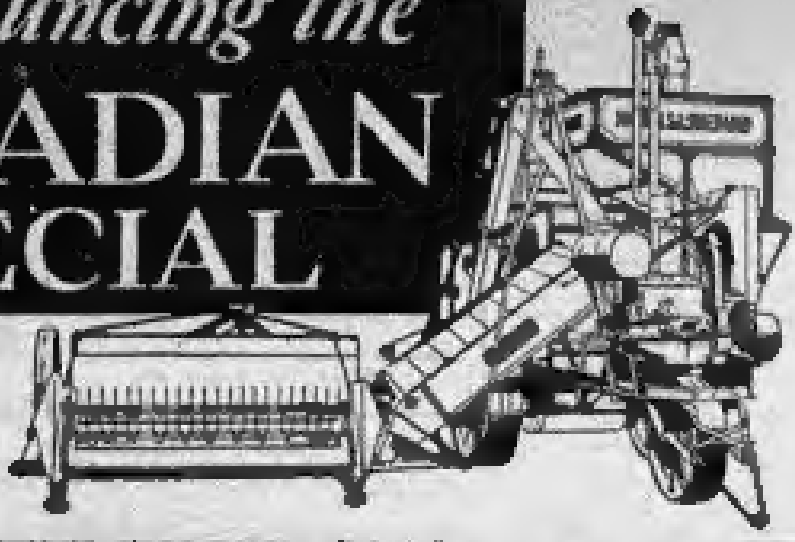

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